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Tory Farmers.

The reports from time to time, that farmers have joined farmers' organizations for the purpose of acting as spies, is not all sensational. Reports of what occurred in secret meeting was given to the press by members, and in some instances the cusses were hunted out. It is believed that in every case a reward was offered, and paid by the ring boss; and in some cases the reward was office. We would have been utterly nonplussed at the meanness of a farmer who would act as spy on his neighbors, did we not know that history affords many parallels. The Revolution had its Tories; and the Tory blood to-day flows in the veins of any farmer who will seek to sell his toiling neighbor, or turn him over, bound hand and foot, to a cruel plutocracy; only that blood is a thousand fold more polluted. There was some excuse for the Tory, but there is absolutely no excuse for any American farmer, who, knowingly, becomes the enemy of his class, of a neighbor who even conspires to destroy his own interest. The man who will play spy upon his neighbors for his political party has less manhood than an ourangatang, and merits the scorn of all self-respecting people. The Alliance has no political secrets, and the spying has been fruitless, but that does not relieve the spy of any of the odium.

JOHN SHERMAN will "sure get his eye knocked out" in the coming Ohio battle. He is a "dead dog."

Mr. Plumb and the Alliance.

Last fall during the canvass, Senator Plumb made a speech at Emporia, in which he took occasion to warn the people against the Alliance, claiming that it was a "southern emanation." This fall the Senator advises Republicans and the Republican press to treat the Alliance with courtesy. Now the Alliance has not changed. It has the same constitution, the same platform, the same president, that it had last fall; and so we are forced to conclude that the Senator has changed either his views or his treatment. The Senator may have found Yankee blood in the Alliance, or decided that a "southern emanation", in Kansas, was in a position to demand decent treatment. Then again, the Senator may be a time-server. He may be bending to the storms that overtook his predecessor; or even Senator Plumb may be a patriot.

But be that as it may, it is the Senator that is changed. He is now respectful, where formerly he was inclined to misrepresent. And we even make the prediction that within a few months the Senator will proclaim in the senate of the United States that he represents a constituency that has taken up with "a southern emanation." It may not suit the "bloody shirt" Republican, and we believe that it will not, to have a senator of their election who does not at all times wave the "bloody shirt." But all Republicans are not United States senators, and not likely to be, and of course cannot realize that waving the "bloody shirt" when that shirt will not win votes won't pay even a United States senator.

COUNTY ATTORNEY SCHOONOVER and N. L. Bowman go to Topeka tomorrow. Bowman goes to intercede with the governor for the release of the Greeley boot-leggers in jail here, while Schoonover will present the other side of the case.—Agitator.

Dollars to doughnuts that Bowman wins.—Lawrence Record.

Wrong for once, Bro. Green. You see, the boot-leggers in jail here are mere "kids," and have no political "infloence." Where a boot-legger is also a political wire-puller, you are safe in betting that Gov. Humphrey will pardon him.

Jay Gould Resting.

The public is informed by the press that "Jay Gould is resting," in much the same manner that the public is informed that "President Harrison is taking a pleasure trip," or the English press inform the British public that "the queen was out walking, or on a visit at Balmoral castle." Very probably the press would disclaim any intention of aiming to convey the impression that Jay Gould ranked with President Harrison or Queen Victoria, but there is no doubt but the press believes Jay Gould is a great man, and that it honors itself by proclaiming that the great man is resting. There is no doubt but that in free America, even a man like Jay Gould may rest if he be weary, and it is inferred, although the public is not so informed, that Jay Gould is weary. But here comes a question that is hard to answer. Of what is Jay Gould weary? It cannot be physical weariness, for the most reckless biographer has never accused Jay Gould of working with his hands, since he whittled out a mouse trap. It cannot be mental exertion that has brought on this fit of weariness, for all Jay Gould's methods of squeezing out small share-holders, crushing rivals, and watering stock, are so old that Mr. Gould knows them by heart. It is barely possible that the press is mistaken. Jay Gould may not be tired.

The veracious historian informs us that Alexander the Great, having conquered in battle all the nations adjoining his, had a fit of the blues because there were no other nations to conquer. Jay Gould may be in a similar fix. Jay Gould has scooped all the telegraph lines, conquering all his rivals. Jay Gould has a controlling interest in five-sixths of the railroads, so that, figuratively speaking, there are "no other nations to conquer." There are no small investors—no rivals—and stock is floating in an ocean of Mr. Gould's watering. Again: Jay Gould may be "possuming". He may not be resting. He may not have the blues. But he may be constructing another man trap, to set in Wall street; for in that par-

ticular, any of Mr. Gould's friends will inform you, with glee, that he is a genius. It may be that Gould, having caught all the telegraph investors, and most all the railway investors, is meditating on a trap that will catch all the mortgaged homes. Of one thing the public may rest assured—and that is that Jay Gould is not resting because he is tired of crushing rivals or water-stock, or collecting off the people 30 per cent. interest on real investment.

Fusion.

Last year the Democrats fused with the Alliance. This year the Democrats will fuse with the Republicans in many places. How things do change, to be sure.—Westphalia Times.

Last year the Democrats voted the People's party ticket, and that was all the fusion there was of it. The People's party was organized by the people, for the people, for the purpose of overthrowing certain political systems, that were, and are, forcing laboring people, and particularly farmers, into bankruptcy. The People's party movement is a reform movement. No change has occurred in the situation since the movement was inaugurated, unless it be that conditions are a little worse. Times are a little harder. The money power is a little more exacting. The combinations are a little stronger, and a little more defiant. The People's party now, as then, is forced to keep the field. It welcomed allies last fall, as it does now, no matter what party they come from. Democrats joined the People's party because they felt the need of reform, and any Democrat who voted with the People's party last fall with a sincere desire for reform will vote with it this fall, the same reasons still existing. The fusion of Democrats with Republicans will be that of the politicians, and only goes to prove that the politicians of both old parties are working together, and really constitute one party.

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